

REMARKS

Claim 11 is objected to for a punctuation error. This objection is overcome in view of the corrected punctuation of claim 11.

Claims 1, 10-12, 15-17 and 19-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, as being indefinite. This rejection is overcome in view of the amendment of claims 1, 12, 16, 20 and 22.

Claims 1, 12, 16 and 22 include: "...in response to the jack sense indicator determining that the listening device is connected to the jack, the jack sense indicator causing the first switch to be driven open and a signal path between the inverting amplifier and the first speaker to be interrupted; and in response to the listening device being connected to the jack, the jack sense indicator causing the second switch to couple the non-inverting amplifier to the second voltage supply rather than to the first voltage supply."

The amendment to claims 1, 12, 16 and 22 are not indefinite. The amended claims recite: "...in response to the jack sense indicator determining that the listening device is connected to the jack, the jack sense indicator causing the first switch to be driven open and a signal path between the inverting amplifier and the first speaker to be interrupted; and in response to the listening device being connected to the jack, the jack sense indicator causing the second switch to couple the non-inverting amplifier to the second voltage supply rather than to the first voltage supply." This recitation particularly points out and distinctly claims the subject matter of the invention and is supported by the specification and drawings.

Accordingly, claims 1, 12, 16 and 22, and the claims depending therefrom are submitted to be in condition for allowance.


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In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1, 10-12, 15-17, 19, 20 and 22 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, an early Notice of Allowance for the remaining claims is courteously solicited.

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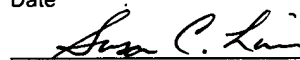
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